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Ref COB 133, 20 Nov 58.

1. Statements of Khrushchev and Gromyko to effect That all Soviet control functions in Berlin and East Germany are shortly to be turned over to GDR pose immediate problem which we must face in that GDR probably will not feel bound by any existing quadripartite agreements. Political implications this situation now being considered on governmental level.

- 2. US Ambassador Bonn has set forth instructions governing guidance to be furnished US civilians (including dependents) who are traveling from West Germany to Ber'lin through check points manned by Soviets and East Germans and indicate intention to amend these instructions should East Germans completely replace Soviets at check points. noted that CG USAREUR is issuing similar instructions to US autobahn check point officials and to US train commanders.
- With reference to situation presented in para 1, above, your views and recommendations are requested on:

The following courses of action open to us: Ignore the East German control personnel

and crash the barrier.

Turn back if stopped. (2)

(3) Accept the East German control personnel as agents of the Soviets.

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Restrictions to be imposed relative to unofficial travel by military and State Dept personnel (including dependents) by autobahn and railroad.

Referenced USCOB message.
Reactions if East German personnel replace

Soviets in BASC. Problems anticipated incident to continued · air travel between West Germany and Berlin. e. Any other matters relative to this problem on

which you care to comment.

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